

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
FULBRIGHT AFRICAN RESEARCH SCHOLAR PROGRAM

The Public Affairs Section of the Embassy of the United States of America is pleased to announce the Fulbright African Research Scholar Program (FARSP) for the 2024-2025 academic year.

The FARSP is administered for the U.S. Department of State by the Council for the International Exchange of Scholars (CIES), a division of the Institute of International Education.

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Two categories of grants are offered in the FARSP: (1) research grants; and (2) program and curriculum development grants.

Research Grants:

Awards of 3 to 9 months are offered for university faculty or research institute professionals to conduct research in any academic discipline at a U.S. academic or research institution beginning no earlier than August 2024 and no later than March 2025. Applicants must hold a doctorate or equivalent terminal degree in their fields. Preference will be given to individuals who have at least three years of university teaching experience and a productive scholarly record.

Program and Curriculum Development Grants:

Awards of three to five months are offered for university faculty or administrators to conduct research in any academic discipline at a U.S. academic or research institution beginning no earlier than August 2024 and no later than March 2025. Proposals should be linked to professional duties and demonstrate how the scholar will use the knowledge gained to develop new courses, curricula, or other academic programs at the home institution. These grants are designed for university faculty or administrators with less experience and who may not have had recent access to research or instructional developments in their disciplines. A doctorate degree is not required, but applicants must hold a minimum of a master's or equivalent graduate degree.

HIV/AIDS:

The FARSP includes a special group of grants for scholars with proposals in HIV/AIDS-related research. Scholars in all academic disciplines are invited to formulate proposals with an HIV/AIDS focus. Candidates may apply either as research scholars or program and curriculum development scholars.

The Public Affairs Section of the Embassy of the United States of America invites eligible candidates to submit applications. The applicant must declare the particular grant program for which he/she is applying (research grant or program and curriculum development grant) and should tailor his/her proposal to the appropriate program in the application form.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON ELIGIBILITY:

The application should include a detailed statement of three to five pages which describes the proposed project and the methodology to be employed. If the project is highly technical and

scientific in nature, the application should include an explanation for non-specialist readers who will be involved in reviewing the proposals.

A copy of the applicant's most recent curriculum vita, list of publications, the scholar's dates of availability and three current letters of reference/recommendation are also required. If possible, at least one of the three required letters should be from an individual outside the applicant's home institution, who can still comment on the candidate's research skills and academic and scholarly experience.

There are no restrictions as to age, gender, faculty rank, or academic discipline for either type of FARSP grant. Preference will be given to proposals that promote the spirit and goals of the Fulbright program – that is, to increase and enhance mutual understanding between the United States and African countries through interpersonal contact and the sharing of professional academic experience and expertise.

Applicants must have university teaching experience and a productive scholarly record. Their research proposal must relate directly to their ongoing teaching and research responsibilities. Scholars who have received a Fulbright grant for study, teaching, or research in the United States within the last five years are ineligible to apply.

Proposals involving doctoral dissertation research, postdoctoral research immediately following completion of a doctoral degree, or general professional travel, are ineligible. Preference will be given to individuals who have had no experience or only limited experience in the United States. Proposals for clinical medical research involving physician training, patient care and contact cannot be approved under the Fulbright Program.

Letters of invitation are strongly encouraged but not required. Applicants are discouraged from requesting affiliation with an alma mater. CIES will honor institutional affiliation preferences as far as possible. Applicants unfamiliar with U.S. institutions may request that CIES identify suitable placements.

Applications must be submitted using an online application system, accessible at <https://apply.iie.org/fvsp2024> on or before July 01, 2023.

Please note that unfortunately none of the FARSP grants accommodate accompanying family members.

If you have any questions related to the FARSP application process, please feel free to contact the U.S. Embassy at PASAddisExchanges@state.gov .

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